



# COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO NEWS RELEASE

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## **SEWAGE SPILL TO MISSION BAY** ***Water Contact Closure For East Mission Bay Recreation Areas***

The County of San Diego Department of Environmental Health (DEH) was notified this morning of an unknown volume sewage spill at the De Anza Cove RV trailer park in Mission Bay. The spill, which was caused by a blockage of a private sewer line at the RV trailer park, is believed to have started on July 5<sup>th</sup>. It is unknown if the management company responsible for this sewer line has cleared the blockage or if the spill is on-going. The sewage flowed into the storm drain system at the RV trailer park which empties into Mission Bay. DEH has issued a water contact closure for all recreation areas in east Mission Bay. Routine weekly monitoring by DEH of water quality in Mission Bay indicated bacterial levels exceeding state standards at multiple locations in east Mission Bay on July 5<sup>th</sup>. These results became available on July 6<sup>th</sup>. DEH issued advisories for water contact at multiple east Mission Bay locations on July 6<sup>th</sup> and July 18<sup>th</sup> based upon the bacterial exceedances in routine monitoring. Signs warning of sewage contaminated water will remain in place until field measurements indicate the bay water is safe for recreational use.

*For more information on the sewage spill, please contact the City of San Diego at 619-236-6597.*

***For updates on beach closure information please call the 24-hr. hotline at (619) 338-2073.***

***OR go to [www.cleanup.org](http://www.cleanup.org) and enter your zip code. Select "Beach Water Quality"***

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